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On the 9th April, at Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. J. H. O'ST, ARTHUR HENRY BROOKS, of Shanghai, to ELLA FORDE, of Winchester, England.

On the 11th April, at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai, by the Rev. Father LORAND, S.J., CHARLES JEDLIKA, of Reichenberg (Bohemia), to EMMA VAN DER STEEN, of Shanghai.

On the 11th April, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. Father LORAND, S.J., ALICE DOROTHY ROBERTS, elder daughter of the late THOMAS CLARENCE ROBERTS, and Mrs. ROBERTS, of Ferring, Worthing, England.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEX ROAD, C.  
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 19th APRIL, 1904

We have written at various times in the past on the subject of the decline of the China tea-trade and the supplanting of the teas which at one time ruled the market by cheaper and stronger Indian and Ceylon products. With many others we regretted the decline of the more delicately flavoured leaf and watched with interest the efforts recently made to bring the Chinese article back into favour. In Mr. H. B. MORSE's report on the trade of China in 1903, issued by the Imperial Maritime Customs and noticed by us recently, there are some remarks on tea which are somewhat reassuring to those who feared that the complete victory of the Southern leaf was only a matter of time. Last year, it appears, tea showed the most considerable increase of all the exportable products of China; black and green leaf and brick alike sharing in the rise. Notwithstanding the generally inferior quality (the curse of the China tea-trade of late years and a great factor in its decline), prices ranged higher by five to ten taels a picul than in 1902; and yet shipments of black tea increased by 9 per cent., of green by 19 per cent., and of brick by 8 per cent. Mr. MORSE points out that 126,908 piculs of the total export are statistically lost by shipment to Hongkong, for reshipment hence. But of the remaining black tea, shipments to Great

Britain were more by nearly 32,000 piculs, and to the Continent of Europe by 3,400 piculs; shipments to the United States were less by 67,000 piculs, though the American demand was about the normal average. Green tea shipments to the United States increased by 17,700 piculs, and to other destinations by smaller amounts. Deliveries of black tea for consumption in Great Britain were approximately (in million lbs.) 10½ in 1901, 14½ in 1902, and 17½ in 1903—a very satisfactory advance. Mr. MORSE gives as the explanation of this increase, in face of the high silver cost prevailing in 1903, the reduced taxation on tea in China. The Indian export increased at the same time, he points out, by 15,000,000 lbs., but it was found impossible to reduce the cost of the lowest grades below sixpence a pound, while China Congous could be laid down at fourpence-halfpenny to fivepence a pound. "Further reduction in the cost of Indian leaf," he remarks, "would deprive China of her temporary advantage; and with the tangle of proof of the benefit already derived from lowering the export duty, it is obvious that the next step to be taken is to reduce, or entirely abolish, the heavy inland taxation now imposed on the leaf before it reaches the foreign exporter; this, however, will not be done until the Chinese Revenue can recoup itself by the imposition of higher import duties."

But lowering the price will not alone suffice to re-establish the China tea-trade on a firm basis, and this Mr. MORSE recognises. Writing on this subject last year, we insisted on the advantages accruing to the Indian trade from the use of scientific methods of culture and preparation of the leaf and from the employment of extensive advertising. Now, it is improbable, Mr. MORSE thinks, that much good can be done by the wholesale introduction of the methods which have been so successful in India—there is such a subdivision of plantations and so short a tea-season in China—but simple hand appliances, such as that for rolling, might well be adopted. And certainly the education of the grower might be assisted by the Tea Guilds. Education has gained the southern growers the victory. With regard to advertising, the Chinese traders do not yet realise its necessity. "In this," says Mr. MORSE, "they must accept the experience of others." The difficulty is to make them do so, but the nearly complete ruin of the China tea-trade with abroad ought to appeal to their intelligences. It would be well if they could be induced to take as their text the remarks with which Mr. MORSE closes this section of his Report. He says:—"Foreign tea-buyers can buy in India or in China, as they may find the most advantage; but the Chinese must trade in China, and, if they wish to preserve the remains of their dwindling trade, they must tax themselves as the Indian planters have done. On the one hand, they must teach the grower how, with little or no expenditure of money, but merely by greater care and improved methods; he may produce a better tea at the same cost, or the same tea at a less cost; on the other hand, they must consult and work in co-operation with the foreign buyers, and advertise. The Chinese tea-traders can save the Chinese tea-trade, and no one else can."

One hundred and sixty-nine Army details arrived by the P. & O. steamer.

Sir Matthew Nathan, our Governor-designate, reached Liverpool from West Africa on the 18th ult.

M. Hardoin, the Chief Secretary of the Governor-General of French Indo-China, went home by the last French Mail.

The visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum last week were 221 non-Chinese and 71 Chinese to the former and 89 non-Chinese and 1,532 Chinese to the latter institution.

A Chinese sampan-boy received a great surprise on Sunday. While sculling his craft in the vicinity of the V.R.C. a "moonster" suddenly clutched the side of his boat, splashed water on him, and swam away swiftly towards the Pier. In the House of Commons on the 17th ult. Capt. Norton asked the Secretary for War if he could state why Sir Ian Hamilton, late Quartermaster-General in England, had been appointed representative of the Indian Army with the Japanese Army, seeing that he was not an Indian officer and was the Indian Council, by whom he was paid, consulted with reference to his appointment? Mr. Brodrick said: Sir Ian Hamilton, besides being an officer of great ability and distinction, has held various Staff appointments in India to the entire satisfaction of his superior officers, and as he was already in Japan his services were available immediately. The Government of India and the Indian Council, who were consulted, agreed to make use of him, and he will be joined, in Japan, by two officers of the Indian Army.

The German Steel Trust is about to open negotiations with the British and American Steel Companies, for the purpose of delimiting the respective fields of interest of all the Companies in the world's markets, so as to obviate the existing competition.

It is reported that the prolonged arbitration before Sir Hiram Wilkinson at Shanghai, in regard to the recent collision at Woosung between the P. & O. S. *Dallacrat* and the C.N.S. *Chongou* came to a conclusion last week, but the decision has not yet been rendered.

The United States Consul at Leipzig reports that the Waffenfabrik at Steyr, Austria, has received an order for an immense number of modern rifles for the Chinese Government. It will take the Steyr factory several years to complete the order, despite a large force of additional employees.

*L'Echo de Chine* says that Colonel Marchand has sent in his letter of resignation. The matter will come before the next Council of Ministers. No reason is given in the letter; it is probable that the Colonel, inspired on the first colonial service roster, preferred to resign on the eve of his marriage that he might remain in France.

Ill-success in examination notwithstanding has tragic results. We read that a young Japanese who had been plucked for the entrance examination at a school in Tokyo, threw himself into the crater of Asayama on the 6th inst. He did not wish to be considered a "mediocre school-boy."

The Rev. Robert Coventry Forsyth, who for 13 years has been engaged in missionary operations in China, has compiled for the Religious Tract Society a volume giving a complete roll of the Christians martyred in China in 1900. This volume seeks to place on record in a permanent form a complete account of the Boxer movement.

Notice was given last month by Sir Gilbert Parker, M.P., of a motion to call attention to the question of the necessity of allowing the Legislative Council of Crown Colonies full power over details of administration, particularly as to the Regulations regarding Chinese labour, the general principles of which, contained in the Labour Ordinances, have been approved by Parliament, and to move a Resolution.

We have received from Japan some samples of "Desinfector," a new Japanese disinfectant and deodoriser, manufactured under the Bureau of Monopolies of Formosa and exhibited at Osaka last year. We have not of course been able to test it, scientifically, but we can bear witness that it is far more pleasant in smell than most disinfectants—we should say that camphor is one of its ingredients—and that the testimony to its virtues by the Japanese Board of Investigation into Infectious Diseases is excellent.

M. Gaston Rouvier writes in the *Temps* (Paris) on the conditions of the new territories that France acquires in the treaty with Siam. He certainly takes a favourable view of their possibilities, and states that they will have for France the advantage of constituting between Saigon and Bangkok a vast neutral zone through which "our Indo-China" can advance in peace. As the *L. & C. Express* says, this rather betokens that the neutral quality of the zone in French eyes is not exactly the interpretation put upon that word.

The members of the French Mission to follow the operations with the Russian General Staff have been selected. At its head will be General Sylvester, commanding a brigade at Paris, and formerly orderly officer to the President of the Republic. The General will very probably be accompanied by two officers, a major of artillery and a captain of infantry, as well as Lieutenant de Caverville, Naval Attaché at St. Petersburg. The head of the French Mission on the Japanese side will be Colonel Lombard, up to now commanding a regiment of the brigade of occupation of Tientsin. It will also include Major Corvairat and Naval Lieutenant Martinie, the French Attaché at Tokyo.

A dispute has arisen in Manila over Press criticism of the Orpheum Theatre. We read in the *Sunday Sun* of the 10th inst.—"Two weeks ago Messrs. Levy & Jones took umbrage at a criticism appearing in the *Sunday Sun*, of the methods in vogue at the Orpheum Music Hall. In retaliation therefore they withdrew the courtesies which had hitherto been extended the *Sunday Sun*, withdrew the advertising which they had placed with the *Sunday Sun*, and Mr. Jones caused to be withdrawn the advertising which the American Hardware and Plumbing Company, a concern with which he is prominently connected, had in the *Sun*. In addition thereto, Mr. Jones took occasion to eject from his theatre the editor of the *Sunday Sun*, applying to him epithets which would be more appropriate from the mouth of a bar-room hanger-on or a beachcomber than from the mouth of a gentleman. In addition thereto they have lent their moral support, and stand ready to lend their financial support, in case it may become necessary, to a weekly paper established last week in opposition to the *Sunday Sun*, and which, in its first issue, defended Levy & Jones against the editor of the *Sun*. But the *Sun* claims that since its criticism appeared many of the defects at the Orpheum have been remedied; the women of the company have been warned not to go to the boxes occupied by patrons, not to receive or send, under penalty of fines, notes from patrons of the theatre while behind the scenes, and not to loiter in the theatre after their work is finished. And now, as "true independence needs no subsidies," the *Sun* has determined to pay for all its own theatre-tickets in future.

A fatal Chinese plague case was reported in No. 1 Health District yesterday.

On the 17th ult. the Ealing and District Missionary Exhibition was opened by the Venerable Archbishop of Canterbury, of Hongkong.

Mr. William Cowan, who has just resigned the position of Protector of Chinese at Ipoh, has been presented with an address signed by all the leading Chinese in Kinta on his departure for China in connection with the recruiting of coolies for the Transvaal.

Hongkong and Manila are making similar progress in many respects. Our electric tramway power-house is progressing favourably, while material for the construction of the power-house of the Electric Street Railroad Company at Manila is arriving at that port. The work of constructing the building will begin within a few days. The power-house will be located on the small island in the rear of Tabacalera cigar factory, known as Smith, Bell and Company's island.

The Customs Report on the foreign trade of China for 1903 notes under the heading of Revenue that of the Southern ports, those in Fokkien about held their own, and Kwangtung ports—especially Canton—had an improved collection, with the exception of Pukioi, which continues to lose ground. The report also notes a transference of trade from junk to steamer at Canton. To the total collection Shanghai and the north generally contributed reduced amounts, and the Yangtze and Southern ports generally larger amounts.

We are requested to state that weather permitting, at 5 p.m. to-day, by kind permission of the German Admiral, the Band of S.M.S. *Hansa* will give a ladies' promenade concert in the Public Gardens; the use of this has been permitted by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government. The following is the programme.

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| 1 March.....  | Niblungen.....    | Wagner     |
| 2 Overture.....   | Pique Danse.....  | Suppe      |
| 3 Fantasia.....   | Cornet.....       | Bizet      |
| 4 Song.....   | On the Water..... | Pressel    |
| 5 Waltz.....  | My Dream.....     | Waldteufel |
| 6 Selection.....  | Medley.....       | Conterno   |
| 7 Trumpet Fanfare on 3 Old Prussian Military Marches..... |                   |            |

(a) Hi Guet Brandenburg.  
(b) Fohrhellner Roter Marsch.

## NAVAL NOTES.

All the larger class of British warships are either cruising or in Mira Bay, none of them being in Hongkong Harbour yesterday. The cruiser *Andromeda*, as a relief to the cruiser *Blenheim*, will arrive here shortly. She has a relief crew for the river gun-boat *Moorhen*, now in the Harbour. The *Blenheim*, of course, is steaming west. The *Andromeda* is a first class cruiser of 11,000 tons displacement, 435 ft. long, 69 ft. beam, 25½ ft. draught, 16,500 i.h.p., and was built at Pembroke, being completed in 1900. Her guns consist of sixteen 6-in. twelve 12-pr. four 3-pr., two light guns, and eight machine-guns. She has three torpedo-tubes; 3-in. deck armour, and 3-in. armour at the gun positions. Her speed is 20½ knots. There are far more torpedo-boat destroyers at Hongkong than torpedo-boats; in fact, there are only four of the latter class. These four, Nos. 35, 36, 37, and 38, are at the Kowloon Depot, two being run up on slips under the shed. The Kowloon yard is well worth a visit.

It was reported at Portsmouth last month that H.M.S. *Sybil*, first-class cruiser, which has been completed for service, will shortly be commissioned for service on the China Station. The Admiralty decided to recommission with new crews the following ships for a further term of three years' service on the China Station, on the expiration of their present commissions, which will expire during the financial year ending March 31, 1905:—The *Albatross*, first-class battleship, flagship of Rear-Admiral the Hon. G. Assheton Curzon-Howe, second in command, the *Peerless*, cruiser, Commander P. Vaughan Lewis, the *Albatross*, despatch vessel, Commander Richard M. Harbord; the *Esperanza*, sloop, Commander Ernest G. Barton; the *Rinaldo*, sloop, Commander Drury St. A. Wake; and the *Vestal*, sloop, Commander Stuart St. J. Farquhar. The *Blenheim*, first-class cruiser, Captain Frederick G. Stopford, will return to England on being relieved by the *Andromeda*, first-class cruiser, Captain R. N. Omondony, and the *Edinburgh*, second-class cruiser, Captain Robert H. S. Stokes, the *Cressy*, first-class armoured cruiser, Captain Henry M. T. Tudor, and the *Talbot*, second-class cruiser, Captain Lewis Bayly, will be relieved during the new financial year, and will return to England to pay off and refit for further service.

The French Minister of War last month ordered the work of the construction of the battleship *Gloire* to be continued night and day, in order that she may be prepared for departure to join the French fleet on the China station at the earliest possible date. The *Marseillaise* will not be sent out East.

## BOWLING.

A two-days' bowling match begins this evening at the Hongkong and German Clubs for the Challenge Shield, which the Hongkong Club has won twice in succession now, and has to win again this time to take outright. The following will be the Club Eight:—

E. H. Hinds	J. W. C. Bonnar
C. P. Chatter	J. Hooper
T. C. Gray	F. Maitland
C. H. Gale	H. Hancock

The first named 4 will bowl on the German alleys this evening, the others at the English Club, and vice-versa on Wednesday.

Of the Club 8, Hinds, Hooper, Maitland, and Bonnar have bowled in both the matches for the present Shield to-date; Gale bowled in the first, and Chatter and Gray in the second, while Hancock is the only new man in the team.

## TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

## UNREST IN NORTH CHINA.

GRAVE DANGER THREATENING.

TIENTSIN, 18th Ap, 2 p.m.

The *Tai-li* Society is increasing in a most threatening manner and is spreading in the neighbourhoods of Peking and Tientsin, as well as outside the Great Wall. Native Christians are growing alarmed.

This *Tai-li* Society has been notorious for its infamous murders of Roman Catholics and it was also busy in prompting the "Boxers" in 1900.

## REUTERS' SERVICE.

GERMAN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA.

LONDON, 16th April.

Another fight took place between the Germans and the Hereros on the 13th instant in which two German officers and six men were killed and one officer and twelve men wounded. The total German losses to date are—15 officers and 51 men killed, and ten officers and 59 men wounded.

## A LIGHTER FOR CANTON.

Capt. Bromer, of the German steamer *Progress*, arrived from the South yesterday. He towed up a lighter, of about 500 tons, from Ha Lin in the Tonkin Gulf. The lighter is consigned to the United States Consul at Canton.

## S. GEORGE'S DAY.

Saturday next is S. George's Day. We are in receipt of the annual report and year-book of the Royal Society of S. George. It contains accounts of the celebrations of the anniversary which took place last year all over the world. Of the Hongkong celebrations, "in default of further particulars," the report "can only record that a ball was held in honour of the 23rd."

## A SUBMERGED WRECK.

The master of the British s.s. *Shao Sing* reports having, on the 17th inst., passed a submerged wreck with mast showing about 12 feet above water. From appearances the wreck was judged to be that of a steamer. At the time Kupei Point bore North 22 East true, and Round Mount North 64 West true. The wreck lies about five-and-a-half miles from Kupei Point.

## ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

On Saturday, the 16th April, the championship yacht race resulted the eleven club race over Course 25, which had been left unfinished on the 19th March. The wind was blowing strong from the east at the start, but it gradually became fainter and fainter as the yachts neared Green Island, the markboat being anchored in a spot visited by alternate puffs and calms. The *Albatross*, taking advantage of a strong puff, was first round the markboat, but shortly afterwards sailed into a calm. The *Dione* and *Vernon* then looked as if they intended to go away, but they also lost the wind. Finally the *Elspeth* hit off the true wind and streaked away to Stoncutter's, leaving the others standing still, and she here got a lead of about 2 miles. The *Vernon* got away next, then the *Albatross* and lastly *Dione*, but none of them could catch the *Elspeth* again, and *Dione* and *Vernon* gave up. The times at the finish were:—

	H. M. S.
<i>Elspeth</i> .....	5 40 5
<i>Albatross</i> .....	5 52 10

## NOTES FROM THE BOTANIC GARDENS.

The chief attractions this week centre round the east side of the Old Gardens. On the extreme eastern edge overhanging Garden Road are two old *Crataevus* in full flower. Higher up are two of our most beautiful native trees flowering freely under the influence of the spring weather, as indeed they may be seen just now in most of the woods upon the island, viz. *Honulium* and *Beecheria*. Both have conspicuous white flowers, the former in tassels, the latter in bunches. If any tree in Hongkong takes the place of the English Hawthorn it is *Beecheria*, which has flowers of a strikingly similar scent and not unlike in appearance. Another native tree, *Pygeum phaeostictum*, is in flower not far off.

One of the showiest Orchids in the collection, *Dendrobium densiflorum*, is now at its best in the Orchid house. The profusion of its deep yellow flowers gives it a most striking appearance.

The Grevilleas will soon be covered with their curious tawny flowers. There is a great number of different kinds of Silk Oak growing in Australia varying in size from large trees to small shrubs. The species represented in our Gardens is *Grevillea robusta*, the largest of the genus, attaining 100 feet or more in its native country.

## WAR NOTES.

FROM SHANGHAI AND JAPAN.

The N. C. Daily News publishes the following telegrams:—

"Tokyo, 9th April.—Pyeongyang is now perfectly quiet. The Japanese troops have encamped themselves to the Koreans. The bulk of the troops have already left Pingyang, northward-bound."

"Tokyo, 10th April.—The *Kokumin Shinbun* points out that Japan has obtained her point in Korea without any fighting. There are now no traces of Russians in North Korea. It urges the Government to fully utilise this opportunity of promoting peaceful arrangements in Korea by the use of the War funds."

"Tokyo, 12th April.—The Government has purchased near Shinanomori a smokeless coalmine producing 100,000 tons a year."

"Tokyo, 14th April.—The Japanese sympathise profoundly with the sorrow caused by the death of Admiral Makarov."

"Peking, 14th April.—The Russian troops are gathering at Liaoyang, Haicheng, and Tashihchiao, on the Manchurian railway, and building entrenchments at Anshan, between Haicheng and Liaoyang. M. Pavloff and Staff arrived at Newchwang to-day."

A Tokyo despatch to the same paper also says that the Japanese Government is issuing formal instructions, in deference to the religious liberty granted by the Constitution, repudiating the friction between the local Japanese and the converts to the Greek Church, who have been accused of being Russian spies, and are defending themselves desperately.

It is now stated that the first contingent of foreign war correspondents left Tokyo on Saturday evening, 2nd April, for the front.

Recent Japan papers state that the N. Y. K. are reported to have bought the British steamers *Mogul* and *Afridi*, and renamed them the *Japan Maru* and *Kirin Maru*. The British steamers *Mogul* and *Phra Chula Choni Klao* have also been sold to the Japanese. The M. B. K. is reported to have paid \$10,000 for the latter.

A statue is to be erected at Tokyo to the memory of Commander Hirose who was killed during the last attempt to block the entrance to Port Arthur, in circumstances of great gallantry.

Messrs. Bandinel & Co. send from Newchwang under date the 3rd April, the following:—"Pilots are temporarily increased to 6 tael per foot. The Russians notify that they have laid down mines in the river, which will not endanger vessels complying with their rules."

## FROM VLADIVOSTOK TO SHANGHAI.

Three foreigners have arrived at Shanghai from Vladivostok, says the N. C. Daily News, travelling by way of Harbin, Moukden, and Newchwang, under special passes from the Russian military authorities. They were at Vladivostok during the bombardment, and they confirm the statement that has already appeared in our columns that the civilians in Vladivostok knew nothing of Admiral Kaminurni's attack. They heard some gun-firing a long way off, but paid no attention to it. The three foreigners came, of course, by train to Newchwang, the train going so slowly that they could walk alongside it when they wanted exercise; and they had constantly to stop to allow trains full of soldiers to pass them. There were no broken bridges, on the line, which is most carefully guarded. At Vladivostok itself, the cost of living has only gone up twenty-five per cent. but there is no abundance of provisions there, or along the railway. At Moukden, Viceroy Alexieff was living in his railway car, not as has been suggested, that he might escape readily if fight became necessary, but because there are no houses there available fit to live in, and the whole city is at least a foot deep in mud. One train was passed on the way which was conveying wounded to the rear, but otherwise there were not many signs of active warfare which the three foreigners were allowed to see, though they were treated everywhere, when they showed their passes, with great courtesy. The journey was naturally a protracted one, and the three travellers were not sorry to reach the Bund at Shanghai at last.

## NOT A JOKE!

*L'Echo de Chine* of the 9th inst. publishes a remarkable undated letter from its Russian correspondent, giving details of several Russian successes over the Japanese on land, among them the following, which is headed "Latest News":—"The Cossacks of the Amur, Orenburg, and the Ussuri have just charged the Japanese who had endeavoured to land on the Yalu. The Cossacks summoned the Japanese to surrender, but they made no reply. The whole line of Cossacks saluted the Japanese advance guard. We had 58 killed and 63 wounded, including four officers; the Japanese had 800 men *hors de combat*. The Japanese were attacked on three sides. The river Yalu was their only refuge. This evening there have been fresh engagements on the Yalu. The results are not known." It is also stated that the Russians are receiving reinforcements of which, as the N. C. D. N. remarks, the Western world generally is quite unconscious. "The Ostiaks have put 10,000 dogs at the disposition of the Russian Government; the Vogouks 25,000; the Kamshatkans, 100,000, etc. for the carriage of stores. Then come the Laplanders with 125,000 reindeer, and you see that we shall not want food. At the same time, 100,000 sleighs are en route for the Far East, drawn alternately by horses, dogs, or reindeer, coming from Finland-Lapland. Even the Buriat women are enlisting to follow their husbands. No need to speak of the women of Kamshatka, they are all warriors. I repeat it, the whole Russian world is aroused."



## JAPAN DURING THE WAR.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

## RUSSIA'S POSITION.

Tokyo, 4th April.

The very rigorous censorship that is exercised here makes it a matter of the greatest difficulty to formulate a satisfactory report, but from letters that have been received from the Front I am enabled to gather the following particulars as to the present disposition of the Russian forces. It would seem the Russians have established cavalry posts right along the coast between the mouth of the Yalu and the town of Takuashan to the west, whilst forts have been erected on all the hills between Antung and Kichienchong, with parapets and palisades the whole distance. There is said to be an Army Corps in Antung itself—that is to say, thirty thousand men. This place has evidently been made the base for preparations in the Yalu district, and the Russians are determined to dispute the passage of the river to the uttermost of their power. To this end they are not only taking the measures above described, but are also keeping touch with the Japanese advance movement. This explains the presence of the six hundred Russian troops in Chongjin who were repulsed in the skirmish last week—the first encounter on land so far. Chongjin is seventy miles from Wiju, and the Japanese will probably meet with a good deal of opposition en route. There are rumours that there are hardly any troops on the road leading to Wiju, but it is difficult to believe the Russians would neglect the first means of defence in this manner. Accounts of the number of soldiers in Antung differ, but the general opinion here is that the figures given above are correct. Of course if one could only tell what the Russian front is, and how much the Japanese have extended their advance, it would be possible to take a much more intelligent view of the case; as it is, one can only conjecture. Some say the Russian outposts are as far up the Yalu as the town of Chosau, 187 miles from Wiju, others indicate Chongjiang as the point of greatest extension, 70 miles. The latter report is probably correct, Russian cavalry vedettes are carefully patrolling the Yellow Sea littoral, a duty that must require no small force, when not only the shores of the Liaotung peninsula but also the railway have to be watched and guarded. Takuashan is the first place of any importance to the west of the Yalu estuary, and there are said to be 300 Cossacks stationed here, detachments of whom are also posted along the banks of the Tazuy, though it is difficult to understand why this river should be particularly watched. Lately Chinese junks have been supposed to be carrying provisions to the ports of Takuashan, Saho, and Tatung, but this can hardly be the case as the seas hereabouts are so roughly patrolled by the Japanese vessels. If the disposition given above is the correct one, and the source is a trustworthy one, it shows a great scattering of the various detachments. The Cossacks are possessed of extraordinary mobility, which in some degree lessens the risk, but it is reported the Russians are not able to get sufficient fodder for their cattle.

Liaoyang, which may be looked upon as the Russian headquarters for the defence of the Yalu, is situated 170 miles from Antung. The troops garrisoning this place are said to have been extremely active lately, and the report that there are now only 8,000 men there, if correct, shows the main portion of the available troops have been removed to the Yalu valley. In this case all reinforcements coming from the north will be sent to Liaoyang. Everything indicates that a great battle will shortly be fought in the vicinity of Antung, unless the Japanese by a flank movement succeed in dislocating the Russian plans entirely. From all accounts, earlier in the field, the Japanese could have easily effected a landing in the neighbourhood of Newchwang. Now, however, such an attempt would be strongly opposed, as the force having possession of that locality holds the key of the position the Russians are now defending. As for stores, the Russians seem fairly well off, having five places between Fengwangcheng and Liaoyang making bread. In the latter place, too, there are reported to be large stores of all necessities. The road leading from Liaoyang to the Yalu is in an almost impassable condition on account of the thaw which has now set in. Fengwangcheng promises to be a place of some interest, the Russians regarding it as an important outpost of Moukden. It is situated on the road between Kienchening and Moukden, and there are reported to be 500 infantry and 700 cavalry (Cossacks) stationed there. The men are quartered in one of the temples, the Russians showing a marked disregard to the religious feelings of the unfortunate Manchurians, in the greatest contrast to the policy which has made British rule as acceptable as it is in other equally "pagan" places. Every cart or whatever presents transport facilities in the vicinity has been commandeered by the Russians, and all the cattle obtainable has been driven into the town. There is a great deal of fort-building going on around the walls; indeed the Russians appear to attach a good deal of importance to the holding of this place. At Saho 3,000 infantry are posted, and there are 500 artillery with 16 guns between the place and Antung. At Kichienchening they have 2,000 cavalry, and along the banks of the Yalu 5,000 troops of all descriptions are posted. About a week ago 2,000 cavalry under the command of General Karoff crossed the river, and advanced to the south. Nothing authoritative has since been heard of this body, but it is very probable that they assisted at the fight at Chongjin.

Several attempts made to bridge the Yalu have not yet resulted in success. Iron piles have been driven into the bed of the river, and boats fastened between them, but it was found

not enough were procurable to complete the bridge. All the wells on the south side of the Yalu have been filled up by the peasants, who all fled on the approach of the Russians, an unenviable reputation preceding them. The greatest care is observed with regard to all grain or rice-shops; wherever there is one a sentry is posted, and nothing is allowed to be sold.

## AMOY.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Amoy, 12th April.

## BACHELORS' DANCE.

The energy displayed by our bachelors in arranging for a dance on the 4th inst. caused a mild sensation in Kulangan. The day before the great event a rumour was current that some of the bachelors had actually taken their coats off and were to be seen working on the decorations, etc., in the Club Theatre. Needless to say no credence was given to this report, as it seemed too good to be true; we believe, nevertheless, that one or two privileged persons managed to get a peep at the unique sight, and were much edified by what they saw. It is only fair, however, to the bachelors to record a great success as the result of their labours, for the dance in the gayly decorated theatre lasted till an early hour to the enraptured strains of the band from S.M.S. Luchs, and those present had a very enjoyable time.

## FLOWER SHOW.

On Tuesday the 5th inst. the cricket ground was the scene of the Amoy Horticultural Show, and it has seldom presented such a picturesque appearance. A feature of the show was the fine collection of cut flowers which would have been hard to match anywhere. The competition amongst the ladies for table-decoration was a very popular item, and amongst so many tastefully and artistically adorned tables the work of the judges must have been no light task. Mrs. Fesler received first honours with a table decorated with czechscholtzia, the prize being presented by Mr. A. F. Gardiner; Mrs. Van Aalst took the second prize presented by Dr. H. McDougall. Mrs. Barton's table was also "highly commended." The prize presented by Mr. T. H. Fesler for the best arrangement of cut flowers in a basket, glass, or opaque was awarded to Mrs. Barton, Miss Saunders being second. The greatest number of prizes fell to Mr. Wallace, Mr. Hempel being second, and Mr. Gardiner third on the list of prize-winners.

## NAVAL NOTES.

H.M.S. *Bramble*, of straight-shooting fame—we notice that she heads the list for naval gunnery, not including battleships and cruisers, which, of course, are in separate classes—left for Foochow on the 5th inst. S.M.S. *Luchs* left for the same port two days later. S.M.S. *Thetis* arrived from Tsintan on the 12th inst. and is at present the only man-of-war in port, barring the Chinese gunboat *Yuen Kai*.

## POLICE COURT.

Monday, 18th April.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPETZ (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## HARBOURING ANOTHER MAN'S WIFE.

Chan Ut Ming, a Chinese woman, was some time ago taken over by the Po Leung Kuk, a benevolent society for the protection of women. Lau Hi, a young Celestial, fell in love with her, a marriage before the Registrar-General and afterwards in customary Chinese style resulting. Cheung Siu Lin, another Chinaman, ran away with the woman, Chan Ut Ming. After some time Chan Ut Ming, finding her rice-allowance rather short, applied at the Registrar-General's Office for information as to the whereabouts of her husband; she required money! The Registrar-General's Department found the husband, and charged Cheung Siu Lin with harbouring another man's wife. At the Police Court the husband said he would be willing to take his wife back, but he was afraid she would run away again.

In convicting the culprit Mr. Gompertz said that for playing with other people's wives the penalty was \$100 fine or three months' imprisonment. He supposed that in China the offence was severely punished, or wronged husbands would use violence, and all sorts of things might happen. He would fine the defendant \$50, with an alternative of two months' imprisonment.

## A MOTHER-IN-LAW CASE.

An old lady of China appeared as complainant against her daughter's sweetheart, saying that when she had gone on board a launch on which defendant was employed, to secure her dowry, the defendant threw a pot at her head, a wound resulting. The defendant called witnesses to prove that the old woman fell down, and that he did not throw anything at her.

The fine was \$5.

## WANTED.

Charles Cox, who was charged with assaulting a coolie at No. 45, Lyndhurst Terrace, and was let out on \$25 bail, did not put in an appearance when due at the Police Court. A warrant was issued for his arrest.

## "BATHER UNFORTUNATE."

A Chinese youngster, well skilled in the art of picking pockets, stole a silver watch. When he went to pawn it, unfortunately for him a Police Inspector happened to be making inquiries at the shop concerning some other matter, and this "bad" man interrogated him.

The result was one month's imprisonment and six hours in the stocks.

## BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## OBSTRUCTING THE FAIRWAY.

As the *Yuen Sang* was steaming into harbour two native craft were anchored in the fairway. The respective boatmen were fined \$20 each.

## PAKHOI.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Pakhoi, 14th April.

As previously announced by me, the *Teng Sai Sun Man* (Eastern and Western News) was launched into existence on the 19th ult. It is a weekly publication, issued from the German Mission House. In the first few numbers there was very little reading-matter to interest subscribers, and I am afraid it will not prove a financial success to its owners. However, I can only wish the paper long life.

## SUICIDE OF AN OFFICIAL.

Suicide is an old practice with people of all countries, and unfortunately its occurrence progresses in the same ratio as the civilization advances. But the means adopted differ with the different races. In China, for instance, the most common way is by swallowing opium, or by hanging among the ordinary people, while among the well-to-do and official class they swallow gold leaf. It will not fail perhaps to surprise some of your readers to learn that the revolver was adopted by a native official to put an end to his existence the other day. Chong Yen Chai, a Major-General, committed suicide on the morning of the 9th inst. at Yamechow, by shooting himself in the mouth with a revolver. The cause of such action has not yet been ascertained. The deceased was an officer of no mean distinction. He had been with Viceroy Shum last year to quell the disturbances in Kwangsi. The deceased was scarcely a few months ago appointed by Viceroy Shum to take the chief command of the garrison at Yamechow. For some reason or other, however, he was ordered to hand over the command to Chong Ping Chet. On the arrival of the latter at Yamechow, Chong put a tragic end to his existence. I am informed that the deceased was a man of great determination. He attempted his own life some ten years ago in Canton owing to dissatisfaction of some kind in his official career, on which occasion he shot himself in the region of the heart, but the wound was not fatal.

## CHANGES IN THE FOREIGN COMMUNITY.

Small as it has always been, the foreign community here was further reduced lately by the departure of several of its distinguished members. Mr. H. A. Little, British Consul, left here for Newchwang last month, and his successor has not arrived yet. Dr. J. H. Lowry, an Assistant and Medical Officer in the Customs, left on the 3rd inst. on furlough; Mrs. Lowry and two children accompanied him. Dr. L. G. Hill (Church Missionary Society), Mr. Hill and child, left on the 7th inst. for Europe. The Doctor goes home to recruit his health. Mrs. J. C. Johnston and Master Johnston left on the 10th inst. for England. Dr. Sanger, from Fokien, arrived here on the 19th ultimo to succeed Dr. Hill as Director and Medical Officer of the Church Missionary Hospital.

## BURGLARY AT THE FRENCH CONSULATE.

A few days ago some burglars effected an entrance into the French Consulate and stole therefrom no less than thirty of the carrier-pigeons. The Consul, M. Flayelle, is still at the loss of the valuable birds, which at great expense were trained by two European specialists engaged solely for the purpose. This is the second or third time that burglars have entered the building within a short time. One time the burglars decamped with three magazine rifles. The thieving fraternity is paying more attention in the town than formerly; want of proper vigilance on the part of the native authorities is badly felt.

## SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 18th April.

## IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

THE CALENDAR.

There were five cases, involving six persons, down for trial, including one charge of arson and one of bribery.

## CRIMINAL ASSAULT.

A well-dressed Chinese, about 30 years of age to all appearance, was charged with having on the 17th March committed a criminal assault on a little girl eight years of age.

He pleaded not guilty.

Hon. Sir Henry S. Berkeley, Attorney-General (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor), conducted the prosecution; and Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C. (instructed by Mr. J. Hastings, solicitor), appeared for the defence.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. E. O. Murphy (foreman), J. D. Morrison, E. A. Ferguson, E. B. Raymond, A. S. Gomez, Jr., G. Engel, and C. Makeham.

After hearing evidence the jury found the charge proven.

His Lordship passed sentence of two years' imprisonment with hard labour.

The Court adjourned at 4.40 p.m. till to-day at 10 a.m.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 18th at 11.50 a.m. the barometer has risen slightly in the Philippines and in S. China; elsewhere the changes are unimportant. The greatest pressure remains over Manchuria and the northern parts of Japan. It is least in the China Sea.

Gradients are very slight on the China Coast, and light E. winds will prevail in the Formosa Channel and in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Light E. winds; cloudy, fair.

## CHINA IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

SHANGHAI AND NANKING RAILWAY.

On the 16th ult. Mr. Weir asked the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether he was aware that, under an Agreement signed by the British and Chinese Corporation (Limited) and the Chinese Government on July 9th last, the Corporation undertook to provide a capital of £3,250,000 for the construction of the Shanghai and Nanking Railway; would he state whether any steps had yet been taken with a view to raise the required capital; and would he ascertain when the work of construction was likely to be proceeded with.

Lord Percy:—His Majesty's Government are aware of the terms of the Agreement as described by the hon. member. The British and Chinese Corporation are at present discussing the necessary arrangements with a view to the flotation of the loan and the commencement of construction.

Mr. Baird asked the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether the conditions under which the concession for the Shanghai to Nanking Railway was extended to the British and Chinese Corporation had been fulfilled, the work begun, and the capital provided.

Lord Percy:—The British and Chinese Corporation are at present discussing with the Chinese Board of Commissioners the necessary arrangements with a view to the flotation of the loan and the commencement of construction.

## THE POSITION AT NEWCHANG.

On the same day Mr. C. McArthur asked the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether it was intended to recall his Majesty's gunboat *Esperanza* from Newchwang; and, if so, what steps, if any, were proposed to take to protect British life and property that port in the event of the foreign settlements being raided in the event of, or subsequent to, a withdrawal of the Russian troops now located there.

Lord Percy:—It is intended to withdraw his Majesty's ship *Esperanza* from Newchwang as soon as the river opens, as the vessel is in considerable danger in the event of serious hostilities, and her presence there would afford no effective protection either to life or property. The British and American Consuls have requested all women and children to leave the port, and will, no doubt, if circumstances render it necessary, give similar advice to other British and American nationals. Representations will be addressed by his Majesty's Government to theelligents requesting them to take such measures as circumstances may permit of to safeguard the interests of British subjects.

## THE CHINESE WAR INDEMNITY.

On the 15th ult. Mr. McCrae having asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer whether he could state the annual value of the annuities payable to Britain in respect of the Chinese war indemnity, the total amount of private claims lodged by British subjects, the total amount of claims admitted, and further, on what basis of priority the several claims were being paid out of the annual instalments, Mr. Austen Chamberlain stated that China disputes the claim of the Powers for payment of the indemnity in gold. The instalments received on account of the British share, converted into sterling, amounted—for the year 1902 to £201,488, for the year 1903 to £214,157. The private claims lodged with the British Claims Commissioner amounted to £1,606,277, but they have been reduced on examination to £736,506. Almost the whole of the private claimants agreed to accept certificates entitling them to a pro rata distribution as the instalments are received. The distributions so far made amount to 75 per cent. of the private claims, inclusive of a number of small claims and death claims which have been paid off in full.

## IN INDIA'S FOREIGN POLICY.

On the 30th ult. Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, made the following references to India's foreign policy in his speech on the Budget at Calcutta:—

About foreign affairs in their wider application I do not propose to say much. I spoke last year about the increasing range of our responsibilities in Asia and a good deal has happened in the interim to point those remarks. My own view of India's position is this. She is like a fortress with the vast meat of the sea on two of her faces and with mountains for her walls on the remainder, but beyond those walls, which are sometimes of by no means an insuperable height and admit of being easily penetrated, extends a gleam of varying breadth and dimensions. We do not want to occupy it, but we also cannot afford to see it occupied by our foes. We are quite content to let it remain in the hands of our allies and friends, but if rival and unfriendly influences creep up to it and lodge themselves right under our walls we are compelled to intervene, because a danger would thereby grow up that might one day menace our security. This is the secret of the whole position in Arabia, Persia, Afghanistan, Tibet, and as far eastwards as Siam. He would be a short-sighted commander who merely manned his ramparts in India and did not look out beyond, and the whole of our policy during the past five years has been directed towards maintaining our predominant influence and to prevent the expansion of hostile agencies on this area which I have described. It was for this reason that I visited that old field of British energy and influence in the Persian Gulf; and this also is in part the explanation of our movement into Tibet at the present time, although the attitude of the Tibetan Government, its present disregard of treaty obligations, and its contemptuous resort to our extreme patience would in any case have compelled a more active vindication of our interests. I should have thought that the

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record that I have quoted on the North-West frontier would have saved me from the charge of a dangerous or impulsive policy on any part of the Indian frontier. I have had no desire to push on anywhere, and the history of the past five years has been one not of aggression but of consolidation and restraint. It is enough for me to guard what we have without hankering for more, but I would suffer any imputation sooner than be an unfaithful sentinel at my post or allow the future peace of this country to be compromised by encroachments from the outside as to whose measuring there cannot be any question. If the Tibetan Government is wise it will realise that the interests of Indian defence and the friendship of the Indian Government are entirely compatible with the continued independence and autonomy of Tibet so far as these may be said at present to exist, but it should also realise that they are incompatible with the predominance of any other foreign influence carrying with it insecurity on our frontier and adding gratuitously to our cares.

## HOW THE RUSSIANS CAME BY VLADIVOSTOK.

It is common knowledge how Russia came into possession of Port Arthur; how at the close of the China-Japanese war, nine years ago, the "jockeyed" Japan out of the place, and then calmly stepped in and occupied it herself. That the Russians got hold of Vladivostok by a diplomatic coup on all fours with, if not indeed, even more "shifty" than the case of Port Arthur, is not so well known.

As a Russian stronghold and naval port, Vladivostok is just as old as the Manchurian question itself. It came into the hands of the Tsar by means of a typical stroke of Russian diplomacy. In the autumn of 1890, when Great Britain and France were at war together with China, and the allied armies were in possession of Peking, the Russian Minister, General Ignatieff, who was well aware that the occupation of the capital of China by the allies was only a temporary measure, saw his way to do a smart stroke of business for his country. The Chinese authorities were in a state of collapse, cowed and panic-stricken, and in subject fear that the allies intended to hold Peking for an indefinite period. General Ignatieff came forward, and saw Prince Kuang at a personal interview. He was well aware that the allies were about to withdraw in a very short time, but he kept his knowledge to himself, and informed Prince Kuang that the only way for China out of her trouble was for Russia to intervene and to put pressure on the allies. That he said, Russia was in a position to do, and the intervention, he knew for certain, would be effective to save Peking and China. Prince Kuang jumped at the suggestion, and then Ignatieff suggested "a slight rectification of frontier" as a reward for Russia's good offices. Anything to get the foreign devils out of Peking was the guiding principle of Chinese statescraft at the moment. Prince Kuang replied that China would be only too glad to oblige her neighbour. Immediately after that the allies, as they had been on the eve of doing when Ignatieff first spoke, evacuated Peking. Now General Ignatieff claimed his bond and got it. It was the cession of the Maritime Province of Manchuria (Primorsk), with six hundred miles of seaboard down to the river Tumen, and including the Bay of Peter the Great, as it has since been designated, and the magnificent harbour of Vladivostok, the "Mistress of the East," as the Russian name means.

At the time Russia had no use for Vladivostok, and only a small blackhouse or military post, with forty men in it as garrison; occupied the place for sixteen years. In 1887, however, at the time of the war with Turkey, when it seemed possible Great Britain might intervene, the garrison was enlarged and one or two shore batteries were thrown up. Vladivostok was made a town in 1890, and seven years after that it became the capital of the Amur Province. Since then its growth has been rapid. Miss Bishop, the well-known traveller who visited Vladivostok ten years ago, in 1894, during the war between China and Japan, when the Russians were strengthening the place with feverish activity, describes it as having "the aspect of a growing city in the American Far West." "But," she goes on, "the all-pervading flavour of militarism overpowers the suggestion of the American Far West. The first buildings on the barren coast are military hospitals and barracks, and barracks thicken as the city is approached. The dull roll of artillery and commissariat wagons, the tramp, morning and night, of brown battalions and continual throb of drum and blare of trumpet and bugle, recall one to the fact that this is the capital of Russia's fast-growing, aspiring Pacific Empire." In 1897 the Imperial Government "carved" sixteen million roubles for the making of Vladivostok into a first-class fortress and dockyard, the headquarters of the Russian Pacific Fleet. It is with that money that Vladivostok has been brought up to its present admitted formidable state, with forts and batteries on the hills all round the land-locked "Golden Horn," as the waterway where the mon-of-war lie is called.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

## WEATHER.

The *Shao Sing*, from Chefoo, reports a fine passage. The *Whampoa* from Shanghai reports foggy weather from Turnabout. The *Norman Isles*, from Moji, experienced fine weather. The *Ely*, from Liolo, experienced fine weather till approaching land, when fog set in. The *Haitian*, from Hoihow yesterday, reports fine; foggy later part of voyage. The *Polynesia*, from Saigon yesterday, experienced fine weather. The *Trides*, from Saigon, experienced fine weather. The *Gouria*, from Singapore yesterday, experienced fine weather. The *Devonshire*, from Bangkok yesterday, reports fine weather. The *Progress*, from Hoihow, reports north-easterly winds and rainy weather. The *Laertes*, from Saigon yesterday, reports fine weather, variable winds. The *Mee Poo*, from the North, experienced light to moderate, north-east wind.

The *Devonshire*, a steamer of the Oriental Line, arrived from Bangkok with 2,000 tons of rice for Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. The

steamer, from Saigon yesterday, brought 2,200 tons of rice consigned to Hongkong Chinese. The *ss. Johanne* arrived from Haiphong and Hoihow yesterday with 1,000 tons of cargo for Hongkong, consigned to Messrs. Jobson & Co. Most of it was rice.

COAL.

The Norwegian *ss. Norman Isles*, from Moji, brought 3,700 tons of coal for Messrs. Bradley & Co.

ITEMS.

The Hamburg-America *Armenia*, from Hamburg, last port Manila, had 115 cases of phosphoric acid deck cargo. The *Germania*, from Moji, brought 3,000 tons of coal for Messrs. Jobson & Co. The Master of the *P. & O. Manila* reports the death on the voyage out, that of a *Lascar*. The Messageries Maritimes *Sabaie*, from Yokohama and Shanghai, had on board 41 cabin passengers, 31 European deck, and five Chinese. The *M.M. Polytechnic*, with the outward French mail yesterday, had 50 cabin passengers and 62 Chinese. The Austrian Lloyd *Margarete*, yesterday, had 19 European passengers and over 200 Chinese.

THE CHINA TRADE.

The shipping tonnage at the ports of China, as recorded in the Imperial Maritime Customs Report for 1903, shows an increase of 3,300,000 tons, all flags sharing in the increase with the exception of the Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish. The British flag shows the largest absolute increase, and among the important commercial nations the French flag shows the largest, and the German the smallest, percentage of increase. To the total tonnage employed, 57,290,389 tons, Great Britain contributed 49 per cent.; China, 17 per cent.; Japan, 14 per cent.; Germany, 13 per cent.; Norway and France, each 2 per cent.; America and Russia, each 1 per cent.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. steamer *Osman* left Singapore for this port on the 17th inst., at noon, with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 22nd inst., at about noon.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on Monday, 12th inst., and may be expected here on Tuesday, the 26th inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Bayern*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 29th March, left Colombo on Saturday, 13th inst., and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 27th inst.

The P.M. steamer *Suberia*, with mails, &c., left Shanghai for this port yesterday morning, at 11 a.m., and is due here on the 20th inst., at 3 p.m.

The P.M. steamer *Korea*, with mails, &c., left Shanghai for this port via Honolulu, &c., on the 15th inst.

The F. & O. steamer *Danae* left Singapore for this port on the 16th inst., at 6 a.m.

The C.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Prometheus* is due here on the 22nd inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Torvald* arrived at Yokohama at 7.30 a.m. on the 18th inst. and leaves again at 6 a.m. on the 19th inst. for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at noon on the 20th inst.

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the above Company will be held at the OFFICE  
of the Company on TUESDAY, the 26th day  
of APRIL, at Noon, for the purpose of  
confirming the following Special Resolutions  
which were passed at the Extraordinary General  
Meeting of Shareholders on the 9th instant.(a) In Article 81 the words "Five Hundred  
Dollars" shall be substituted for the words  
"One Hundred and Fifty Dollars."(b) In Article 102 the words "An Auditor"  
shall be substituted for the words "Two  
Auditors."(c) In Article 108 the word "Auditor"  
shall be substituted for the word "Auditors."By Order of the Board of Directors,  
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Secretary.THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND  
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Doney & Co., 89, Consular Road, Tientsin.Share Lists close at 4 p.m. on Saturday, 30th  
April, 1904. [323]

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.THE CERTIFICATE No. 997 dated 25th  
August, 1894, of the Five Shares Nos.  
1418/1419 in the Company, standing in the  
name of Mr. MOK SE YEONG, of Hong-  
kong, has been LOST, and if at the expiration  
of One Month from the date hereof the above  
document be not forthcoming, another Certi-  
ficate will be issued by the Company, and  
thereafter no other will be acknowledged.  
Dated 4th April, 1904.C. PEMBERTON,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1904. [334]

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## THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the members  
of the China Association was held at 132  
Leadenhall Street, London, E.C., on the 15th  
ult. Mr. W. Keswick, M.P., presiding. Amongst  
those present were—Sir Ewen Cameron,  
K.C.M.G., Sir Thomas Jackson, Bart., Sir A.  
Hillier, C.B., K.C.M.G., Messrs. J. H. Hill,  
D. C. Rathford, Geo. B. Dodwell, R. H. Hill,  
D. E. Barkill, G. J. Morrison, H. H. Joseph,  
W. M. Strachan, D. Reid, P. Macken, C. Han-  
bury, E. A. Probst, J. C. Bois, F. Cornes, E.  
Mackintosh, N. J. Ede, H. Harwood, K. C.  
Antrobus, G. Brown, W. W. Dickinson, Mr.  
T. Whitehead, and Mr. J. Welch, hon. sec.The Chairman said: We have met again to pass  
the report of what the Association has done dur-  
ing the past year. It has been a memorable year  
in many respects, but in the proceedings of the  
Association it has not been one of our fullest in  
incident or one of the most important in the  
work and for this reason that in a great mea-  
sure there was recorded chiefly the results of  
work previously entered upon. The Treaty  
which Sir James Mackay was the author of, and  
to which we all attached importance, was ratified  
with the exception of Article 8. It is to be  
hoped that that Treaty, when fully worked and  
recognised, will be of undoubted importance in  
the progress of our commercial relations with  
China; but so long as Article 8 is not made  
effective, so long will our commerce in China be  
subject to those exactions which have hitherto  
restricted its extension, and which so long as  
those exactions remain will in the future retard  
progress. In other respects, however, a quiet  
and steady advance has been made. The railways  
in China, which have been chiefly under the  
guidance in their construction of  
Continental Powers, have made some pro-  
gress, but railways, which similarly are  
concessions granted to British interests have  
lacked that progress which we all desired  
to see them make; and for the sufficient reason  
that, as compared with the Continental, it has  
been impossible—almost impossible, because we  
did succeed in the end—to get conditions in such  
a form or so framed that in this country we  
could issue a prospectus for the guidance of  
investors and give to them that security which  
is deemed essential for the obtaining of money.  
There has always been a difficulty in framing  
conditions with the Chinese that would admit  
when translated the prospectus being issued  
exactly in the form and fulfilling the require-  
ments necessary under our Companies Act. We  
have succeeded in the Shanghai-Nanking Rail-  
way in obtaining, I think, the conditions which  
are required, but the outbreak of war has put a  
stop to the loan issue intended, and under  
present circumstances, there will again be some  
delay. The other great feature that has now to  
claim our attention is the war between Russia  
and Japan, the origin of which I think it is  
unnecessary to enlarge upon, as we are all  
acquainted with it. I think there are few who  
do not sympathise with Japan. From the point  
of view of the Japanese people, the course they  
have adopted is one essential to their own safety,  
and I would go further and express what is  
certainly my own view that what the Japanese  
are doing is calculated if success, as I believe it  
will, to extend their arms, to give us that security  
in North China which we hope will lead to  
the extension of commerce in the provinces  
of Manchuria which is more capable of develop-  
ment than almost any other province in China  
is the way of foreign commerce. It has been  
one of our largest markets for imports—  
which I believe with peace and with the estab-  
lishment of means of communication and  
reasonably good government has a power of  
extension beyond anything we have yet seen.  
It is a large province which contains and  
produces much that can be exported. It is a  
northern land unlike Canada, and is capable  
therefore, of consuming large quantities of our  
manufactures, and it is to be hoped when the  
war comes to an end that the "open door," of  
which we have heard so much, will be found  
established in that part of China, and he kept  
open for the commerce of the whole world. I  
am not aware of any other point that I can  
with advantage remark upon in this report. I  
will, therefore, propose "That the report and  
accounts be adopted and passed."Sir Ewen Cameron seconded the resolution,  
which was carried unanimously.  
Mr. Geo. Brown said he noticed that the  
Chinese teaching scheme was not mentioned  
this year, or last year, although it figured  
largely in the reports for 1899 and 1900. An  
endowment of £50 a year was given by one  
gentleman, and there was also a second  
endowment. He would like to know whether  
the endowments had been carried out or whether  
they were secured.  
The Chairman, in reply, said he regretted  
that Mr. Gwyther was not present, as he was  
acquainted with all matters connected with this  
matter of teaching Chinese, which the Associa-  
tion, very rightly, he thought, regarded with  
great favour and encouragement as much as  
possible. The teaching had been separated from  
this Association. A committee was  
appointed of which Mr. Gwyther was chairman,  
and on Mr. Gwyther's return he would be able  
to give those interested in the scheme the  
fullest information as to what had been done.  
Mr. P. Macken then moved that the following  
gentlemen be elected to form the general com-  
mittee during the ensuing year:—Sir Thomas  
Sutherland, G.C.M.G., Sir E. A. Sassoon, Bart.,  
M.P., Sir Cecil C. Smith, G.C.M.G., Sir Ewen  
Cameron, K.C.M.G., Sir Alfred Dent,  
K.C.M.G., Sir R. T. Renzie, Sir Thomas  
Hanbury, K.C.V.O., Sir Thomas Jackson, Bart.,  
Sir E. F. Alfred, Rt. Messrs. A. B. Barkill,  
F. Cornes, Herbert Dent, G. B. Dodwell, R. M.  
Gray, R. S. Gundry, J. H. Gwyther, R. H.  
Hill, H. H. Joseph, William Keswick, M.P.,  
H. Kopsch, J. A. Matfield, G. J. Morrison, D.  
Reid, D. C. Rathford, J. H. Scott, W. M.  
Strachan, W. A. Turnbull, W. C. Ward, J.  
Welch, T. H. Whitehead, W. S. Young, and A.  
Zimmerman.Mr. W. W. Dickinson seconded, and the  
resolution was carried unanimously.  
The Chairman said he was pleased to inform  
them that Sir Thomas Jackson had consented  
to be their President for the ensuing year—  
(applause)—and moved a resolution accordingly.  
Mr. J. H. Scott seconded, and the resolution  
was carried with applause.  
Mr. J. C. Bois then moved that the following  
gentlemen be elected officers of the association  
for the ensuing year:—Chairman of Committee,  
Mr. William Keswick, M.P., Vice-Chairman of  
Committee, Sir Alfred Dent, K.C.M.G., Hon.Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Joseph Welch,  
Mr. E. Mackintosh seconded, and the resolution  
was carried unanimously.  
Mr. David Reid said it was not only a duty  
but a pleasure to propose a vote of thanks to  
the chairman, not only for presiding at the  
annual meeting, but also for his able services to  
the China Association throughout the past year,  
and so many past years. (Applause.) He  
thought the Association owed an immense debt  
of gratitude to Mr. Keswick, who although he  
was a very busy man, devoted much time and  
labour to the affairs of the Association. The  
vote having been passed with acclamation.  
The Chairman said he appreciated very much  
their kindness in passing this vote of thanks.  
He took a very great interest in the subjects  
which the Association had to deal with at the  
present time. He especially did so because he  
thought they were at the parting of the ways  
in China. That country must now avail itself  
of the opportunity which he thought would be  
given to her of taking a new position, a forward  
step which would bring her more into commu-  
nication with the other countries of the world. By  
intercourse outside herself she must gain that  
knowledge which is calculated to have the effect  
of renovating her entire system, and putting  
the internal affairs of the country on a more  
secure, liberal, and a better basis. Until such  
change took place the opportunities that would  
probably be afforded her could not be properly  
availing of. It was of course impossible to fore-  
cast what might occur in connection with the  
war that was now at her doors, but that war  
 sooner or later would come to an end. It would  
be when the war ceased, that the future of  
China would be either made one of progress and  
development and consolidation, or it would lead  
to disintegration, to gradual conquest by other  
countries, and the break-up of what was an  
Empire in area one of the greatest in the  
world. It was impossible to think of the  
Chinese without remembering that there must  
be something in that people that in the past  
made them so great, that enabled them to unite  
those provinces so dissimilar in many respects,  
but which their mind and their character,  
energy, and perseverance moulded into one  
nation. He did not believe in the extinction of  
the principles that made China in the past what  
she was. He trusted that in the opportunity  
that he believed was about to be given her she  
would rise to that old power, and be again a  
nation of progress, a nation that would assist in  
the development and civilisation of the world.  
(Applause.)  
The meeting then terminated.Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Joseph Welch,  
Mr. E. Mackintosh seconded, and the resolution  
was carried unanimously.Mr. David Reid said it was not only a duty  
but a pleasure to propose a vote of thanks to  
the chairman, not only for presiding at the  
annual meeting, but also for his able services to  
the China Association throughout the past year,  
and so many past years. (Applause.) He  
thought the Association owed an immense debt  
of gratitude to Mr. Keswick, who although he  
was a very busy man, devoted much time and  
labour to the affairs of the Association. The  
vote having been passed with acclamation.The Chairman said he appreciated very much  
their kindness in passing this vote of thanks.  
He took a very great interest in the subjects  
which the Association had to deal with at the  
present time. He especially did so because he  
thought they were at the parting of the ways  
in China. That country must now avail itself  
of the opportunity which he thought would be  
given to her of taking a new position, a forward  
step which would bring her more into commu-  
nication with the other countries of the world. By  
intercourse outside herself she must gain that  
knowledge which is calculated to have the effect  
of renovating her entire system, and putting  
the internal affairs of the country on a more  
secure, liberal, and a better basis. Until such  
change took place the opportunities that would  
probably be afforded her could not be properly  
availing of. It was of course impossible to fore-  
cast what might occur in connection with the  
war that was now at her doors, but that war  
 sooner or later would come to an end. It would  
be when the war ceased, that the future of  
China would be either made one of progress and  
development and consolidation, or it would lead  
to disintegration, to gradual conquest by other  
countries, and the break-up of what was an  
Empire in area one of the greatest in the  
world. It was impossible to think of the  
Chinese without remembering that there must  
be something in that people that in the past  
made them so great, that enabled them to unite  
those provinces so dissimilar in many respects,  
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(Applause.)  
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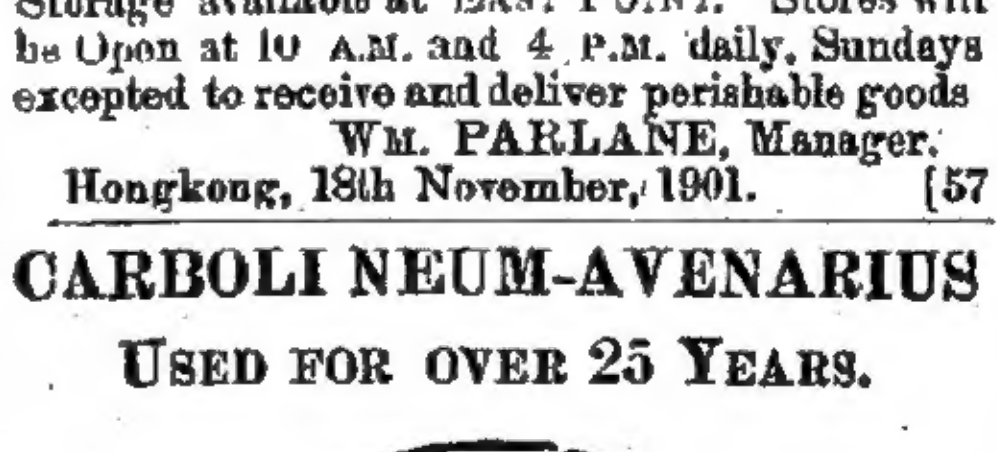
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OF  
THE FIRST MEETING  
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China Ponies weighing for inches as per scale.  
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5 lbs. extra; non-winning subscription griffin  
allowed 5 lbs. Jockeys per hit and allow-  
ances as per Race No. 1. Entrance \$5.  
From the two mile post once round and in.  
4.40 p.m. 3. THE "ION HAN" CUP.—Presented  
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For all China Ponies. Weight 11 stone.  
Jockeys penalties and allowances as per Race  
No. 1, but winners of a hurdle race or  
steepchase on an off day at Shanghai or  
Hongkong to be treated as winning Jockeys.  
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round and in.5 p.m. 4. POLO PONY SCURRY For a Cup  
presented by the Club—Open to all bona fide  
polo players passed as such by the Committee  
of the Club. Catch weights not less than 11 stone.  
Best of three heats, to be won without dismount-  
ing, each from the distance of 100 yds. Entrance \$5.  
5.25 p.m. 5. THE GYMKHANA CLUB CHALLENGE  
CUP.—Value \$5, (not less than \$200). For  
all China Ponies. Weight for inches as per  
scale. Penalties and allowances as per Race  
No. 2. Jockeys' penalties and allowances as  
per Race No. 1. To be won by the pony  
scoring most marks in the races for the Cup  
by the end of the Club's season, counting 4  
for a first, 2 for a second and 1 for a third.  
The benefit of marks already scored to pass  
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sequent starts for the Cup; penalties accumu-  
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accompanied by the necessary fees) close to the  
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6 p.m. on Wednesday the 13th April, 1904.  
The Committee reserve the right to declare  
off any race for which there are not at least five  
entries and three starters.Attention is drawn to the rules of the Club  
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of the Club unless he is a member of the Hong-  
kong Jockey Club. (b) All members of the  
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 April 17, SALAM, French str., 2088, Negro, Yokohama 14th April, Mails and General—YOKOHAMA.  
 April 17, TRITON, German str., 1001, H. Kraft, Swatow 16th April, General—OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.  
 April 17, WHAMPOA, British str., 1109, Part-ridge, Shanghai 14th April, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
 April 18, GOWIE, British str., 3155, A. E. McDonnell, Singapore 11th April, Petroleum—ARNDT, KARBERG & CO.  
 April 18, DEWASONG, German str., 1068, Kynock, Bangkok 10th April, Rice—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
 April 18, DIA, Norwegian str., 708, Christopherson, Hilo 13th April, Sugar for Ningbo—SANDER, WIELER & CO.  
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 April 18, LAERTES, British str., 1340, Jackson, Saigon 14th April, Rice—CHINESE.  
 April 18, MARQUIS BACQUEHEM, Austrian str., 2752, J. Rasovich, Trieste via Singapore 14th March, General—SANDER, WIELER & CO.  
 April 18, MEKONG, Chinese str., 1321, Whit-law, Shanghai 15th April, General—CHINESE.  
 April 18, POLYNESIE, French str., 2016, Le Coispeiller, Saigon 11th April, Mails and General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
 April 18, PROGRESS, German str., 682, F. Bremer, Toulon 14th April, General—SANDER, WIELER & CO.  
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 18th April.  
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## DEPARTURES.

17th April.  
 GLENSHIEL, British str., for Shanghai.  
 TAMARIS, French str., for Haiphong.  
 18th April.  
 CHENAOCHU, British str., for Amoy.  
 DIA, Norwegian str., for Ningbo.  
 KWONGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.  
 KWONGSANG, British str., for Manila.  
 KWONGSANG, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
 MEKONG, Chinese str., for Canton.  
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SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	POLYNESIE	Frenc. str.	W. P. Patt	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CLAUVERLEY	Brit. str.	W. P. Patt	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	To-morrow, P.M.
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 TO-MORROW, the 20th April, P.M.

For information as to Passage and Freight,  
 apply to  
 SANDER, WIELER & CO.,  
 Agents.  
 Hongkong, 20th March, 1904.

MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.  
 J. TREVOUX & CO.  
 HONGKONG CANTON NIGHTLY  
 SERVICE.

THE Commode Steamer  
 "PAUL BEAU."  
 Captain Frangul, leaves Hongkong for Canton  
 at 9 P.M., on SUNDAY, TUESDAYS and  
 THURSDAYS, returning to Hongkong the  
 following days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M., taking  
 passengers and cargo as usual.

The S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUN."  
 Captain Noel, leaves Hongkong on MON-  
 DAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at  
 the usual hour.

These two magnificent and up-to-date  
 steamers are lighted with Electricity.  
 The Saloon is under European Supervision.  
 First Class European ... \$8.00  
 Second Class European ... \$3.00  
 First Class Chinese ... \$1.50  
 Second Class Chinese ... .80  
 Deck ... .30

The Company's Wharf is at the end of Queen  
 Street, Praya West.  
 For further particulars, apply to  
 J. LANDOLT, Agent.  
 The Pharmacy, Queen's Road Central.  
 Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904.

FOR CANTON.  
 THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer  
 551 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for  
 Canton at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUES-  
 DAYS and THURSDAYS, and return to  
 Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton  
 at 5 P.M. Excellent accommodation, electric  
 light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong  
 near Harbour Office.

First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Second-  
 class, \$1.50 each way. Meals, \$1 each.  
 Cargo Freight very moderate.  
 CHEUNG ON STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,  
 No. 147, Cornhill Road Central.  
 Hongkong, 15th March, 1904.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE (Passing through the Inland Sea)	MANILA	About 19th April	Freight and Passage.
	H. G. H. Lowell, R.N.R.		
LONDON, &c.	BENGAL	Noon, 23rd April	See Special Advertisement.
	G. Phillips		
SHANGHAI	CHUSAN	About 24th April	Freight and Passage.
	W. B. Palmer, R.N.R.		
LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	PALAWAN	About 27th April	Freight and Passage.
	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.		

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,  
 Superintendent.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1904.



## HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESS carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

## CHINA AND MANILA

## STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila direct.	Sat., 23rd April, 10 A.M.
EUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila direct.	Sat., 30th April, 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	A. H. Nottley		

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
 GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1904.

## PORTLAND &amp; ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHANGHAI INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL ON
"ARABIA"	4483		
"AFAGONIA"	5198		
"NUMANTIA"	4370		

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to  
 ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.  
 Hongkong, 29th March, 1904.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S  
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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, via CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.  
 "Empress" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).  
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 20th April.  
 R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 27th April.  
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 11th May.  
 R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,425 Tons ... SATURDAY, 21st May.  
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 1st June.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class ... via St. Lawrence 400 ... via New York 262.  
 Intermediate on Steamers, ... 240. ... 242.  
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THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPERESS" STEAMSHIPS passing through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS and make connection with the PACIFIC OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.  
 SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to  
 D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
 9, Pedder Street.  
 Hongkong, 15th April, 1904.

## NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON & CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.  
 CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

## NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR  
 VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA  
 VIA  
 MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
* LYRA	4417	G. Y. Williams	Wednesday, May 4th
* SHAWMUT	9606	W. M. Smith	Saturday, May 21st
* TREMONT	9606	T. W. Garlick	Tuesday, June 23rd
* LYRA	4417	G. Y. Williams	Thursday, August 4th
* SHAWMUT	9606	W. M. Smith	Thursday, September 1st
* TREMONT	9606	T. W. Garlick	Saturday, October 1st

\* Cargo only.

## FOR MANILA.

The largest, sturdiest, and most comfortable steamers for Manila.

S.S. SHAWMUT	9,606 tons.	W. M. Smith	About 3rd May.
S.S. TREMONT	9,606 tons.	T. W. Garlick	About 8th June.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.

The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" have just been fitted with very Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

## PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information apply to—

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
 GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS,  
 Hongkong, 18th April, 1904.

## OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN

HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS

AND FORMOSA.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
ANPING, via SWATOW AND AMOY	"TRITON"	WEDNESDAY, 20th April, at 10 A.M.
TAMSUI, via SWATOW AND AMOY	"FRITHJOF"	SUNDAY, 24th April, at 10 A.M.
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW AND AMOY	"TRIUMPH"	WEDNESDAY, 27th April, at 10 A.M.
TAMSUI, via SWATOW AND AMOY	"M. STRUYE"	SUNDAY, 1st May, at 10 A.M.

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.  
 Hongkong, 19th April, 1904.

T. ARIMA, Manager

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

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Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANTS, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.







## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Until further notice the transmission of correspondence via Dally and the Trans-Siberian Railway is discontinued.

The Siberia, with the American mail, left Shanghai on Monday, the 18th inst., at 11 a.m. and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 20th inst.

The Chusan, with the English mail of 25th March, left Singapore on Sunday the 17th inst., at noon, and may be expected here on Friday the 22nd inst., at about noon. This packet brings copies despatched from Hongkong on the 23rd February.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.	Kelvin	Tuesday, 19th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow	Progress	Tuesday, 19th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c. India via Taticoria	Salvia	Tuesday, 19th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)		
Buenos Aires, Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Hongkong	Tuesday, 19th, 12.15 P.M.
Singapore and Bangkok	Gregory	Tuesday, 19th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Choway	Tuesday, 19th, 3.00 P.M.
Kobe	Tatsumi	Tuesday, 19th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Amelia	Tuesday, 19th, 4.00 P.M.
Canton	Patience	Tuesday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Namtu	Tatsumi	Tuesday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow	Hofu	Tuesday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao	Wingchui	Tuesday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Hilo	Fronto	Tuesday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow	Johanna	Tuesday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Hankow	Tuesday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Anping	Teloa	Tuesday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.

1. HONGKONG, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SINGAPORE AND VANCOUVER (B.C.)

(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.)

Swatow, Tientsin and Tientsin	Kansu	Wednesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore	Bish-Thuan	Wednesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow	Kuifun	Wednesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	M. Baqcheem	Wednesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Canton	Powen	Wednesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Chinkiang and Wuhu	Houan	Thursday, 21st, 7.30 A.M.
Amoy and Shanghai	Yuanan	Thursday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
Canton	Patience	Thursday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Hankow	Friday, 22nd, 7.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Kuifun	Friday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Hongkong	Tatsumi	Friday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Powen	Friday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Houan	Saturday, 23rd, 7.30 A.M.
Manila	Yuanan	Saturday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.

EUROPE &c. India via Taticoria

(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.)

(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)

Canton	Patience	Sunday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Cebu and Hilo	Wuchang	Tuesday, 26th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver (B.C.)	Athenia	Wednesday, 27th, 10.45 A.M.

TO-DAY.

Concert, Public Garden, 5 for 5.30 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON—	18th April.
Telegraphic Transfer	1.81
Bank Bills, on demand	1.81
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	1.81
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	1.81
Credits, at 4 months sight	1.81
Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight	1.81
ON PARIS—	
Bank Bills, on demand	219
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	223
ON GERMANY—	
On demand	178
ON NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, on demand	42
Credits, 60 days sight	43
ON BOMBAY—	
Telegraphic Transfer	129
Bank, on demand	130
ON CALCUTTA—	
Telegraphic Transfer	129
Bank, on demand	130
ON SHANGHAI—	
Bank, at sight	73
Private, 30 days sight	73
ON YOKOHAMA—	
On demand	81
ON MANILA—	
On demand	Nominal
ON SINGAPORE—	
On demand	Nominal
ON BATAVIA—	
On demand	Nominal
ON HATYONG—	
On demand	Nominal
ON BANGKOK—	
On demand	Nominal
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.35
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$58.80
BAB SILVER, per oz.	24

## OPIUM.

Quotations are—	Allow 100 net, to 100.
Malwa New	\$1000 to \$1040 per picul
Malwa Old	\$1000 to \$1040
Malwa Old	\$1020 to \$1060
Malwa V. Old	\$1180 to \$1220
Perian fine quality	\$890 to
Perian extra fine	\$900 to
Patna New	\$1345 to
Patna Old	to
Bengals New	\$1335 to
Bengals Old	to

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. steamer *Siberia* left Shanghai for this port on the morning of the 18th inst., at 11 a.m., and is due here on the 20th inst., at 3 p.m.

The P.M. steamer *Korea* left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, on the 15th inst.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Channon* left Singapore for this port on the 17th inst., at noon, and is due here on the 22nd inst., at noon.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on Monday, a.m., and may be expected here on Tuesday, the 20th inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Bayern* left Colombo on Saturday, a.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 27th inst.

THE C.P.R. steamer *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver on the 15th inst., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The P. & O. steamer *Dacca* left Singapore for this port on the 16th inst., at 6 a.m.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Prometheus* is due here on the 22nd inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Tartar* arrived at Yokohama at 7.30 a.m. on the 18th inst., and leaves again at 6 a.m. on the 19th inst. for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at noon on the 20th inst.

The P. & A. steamer *Empire*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 12th inst. for this port via Timor and Manila.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Prague* left Victoria (B.C.) on the 24th ult. for Japan and Hongkong.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY	PAID UP	QUOTATIONS
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$250, 1/2
Nail Bank of China	A. Shares	\$28 3/4
B. Shares		\$28 3/4
Poon Shing		\$21 1/2
Bell's Ashbury & Co.		\$21 1/2
Canton-Hongkong		\$10 1/2
Campbell, Moore & Co.		\$10 1/2
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.		\$10 1/2
China Light		\$10 1/2
China Prov. L. & M.		\$10 1/2
China Sugar		\$10 1/2
Cigar Companies		\$10 1/2
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$500	\$200
Philippine Co.	\$100	\$100
Cotton Mills		
Ewo	\$50	\$100
International	\$50	\$100
Lat Pau	\$50	\$100
Soyabean	\$50	\$100
Hongkong	\$50	\$100
Dairy Farm	\$50	\$100
Farwick & Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$100
Green Island Cement	\$50	\$100
Hongkong & Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$100
Hongkong Electric	\$50	\$100
H. H. L. Tramways	\$50	\$100
Ind. Steam Water	\$50	\$100
Ind. Steam Water	\$50	\$100
Hongkong Hotel	\$50	\$100
Hongkong Ice	\$50	\$100
H. & K. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$100
Hongkong Lager	\$50	\$100
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$100
Insurance		
Canton	\$50	\$100
China	\$50	\$100
China Trade	\$50	\$100
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$100
North China	\$50	\$100
Union	\$50	\$100
Yangtze	\$50	\$100
Land and Building		
Hongkong Land	\$50	\$100
Hampshire	\$50	\$100
Kowloon Land	\$50	\$100
West Point Building	\$50	\$100
Shanghai Land	\$50	\$100
Luzon Sugar	\$50	\$100
Shipping		
Charbonnages	\$50	\$100
Panama	\$50	\$100
Do. Preference	\$50	\$100
Now Amoy Dock	\$50	\$100
Powell & Co.	\$50	\$100
Steamship Coys.	\$50	\$100
China and Manila	\$50	\$100
Douglas Steamship	\$50	\$100
H. Canton and M.	\$50	\$100
Indo-China S. N.	\$50	\$100
Suez Transport	\$50	\$100
Trading Co.	\$50	\$100
Do. Preference	\$50	\$100
S. C. F. Ryd & Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$100
S. & H. Dyming & Co.	\$50	\$100
Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$100
Tobacco Planting Co.	\$50	\$100
Do.	\$50	\$100
Watkins, Ltd.	\$50	\$100
Watson & Co., A.S.	\$50	\$100

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

High Water	Low Water
From 19th to the 25th April.	
Day	Time
Mon. 19	5.10
Tues. 20	4.40
Wed. 21	4.10
Thurs. 22	3.40
Fri. 23	3.10
Sat. 24	2.40
Sun. 25	2.10

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.87	29.89
Temperature	74	75
Humidity	74	75
Direction of Wind	E	ESE
Force	1	2
Weather	0	0
Rain	0	0

Highest open air temperature on the 18th. 78

Lowest open air temperature on the 18th. 50

Hongkong Observatory, 18th April.

## HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM.

## WAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

## TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.	SUNDAYS.
6.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.	8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.	9.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.	10.30 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	12.00 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
3.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	3.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	
1.45 p.m. & 2.00 p.m. 8.45 to 11.15 p.m. every 1 hour.	
8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.	
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes.	
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.	
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6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	
NIGHT CARS on Week Days.	
8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.	
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes.	
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.	
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.	
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NIGHT CARS on Week Days.	

## HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM.

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9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.	10.30 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	12.00 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
3.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	3.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	
1.45 p.m. & 2.00 p.m. 8.45 to 11.15 p.m. every 1 hour.	
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5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.	
NIGHT CARS on Week Days.	

Extra cars at 11.30 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by arrangement at the Company's Office, 88 & 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1904. [913]

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## CHAMPAGNE GROWERS AND SHIPPERS.

## Ship only the Finest Quality.

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Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [50]

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## NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.

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TURNER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [267]

## NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1902, £10,378,771.

1. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £5,000,000	0 0
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, 2,750,000	0 0
PAID-UP CAPITAL, 687,500	0 0
1. FIRE FUNDS, 2,867,215	14 10

The Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. [188]

## THE BOMBAY FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS at Current Rates.

HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO., Hongkong, 28th November, 1903. [1260]

## UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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SIEMSEN & CO., Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [1]

## AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHAPPEL.

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REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [199]

## PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO., Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [129]

## THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.

INCORPORATED 1851.

Cash Security ... ..\$25,719

Total Losses Paid ... ..\$2,769,240

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WM. MEYERINK & CO., Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [194]

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